

HOUSE BILL 429

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By: **Delegates Marriott, Benson, Carter, Gutierrez, Kirk, and
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Division of Correction - Inmates - Suspended Life Sentences**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Division of Correction to treat each inmate whose
4 life sentence has been partly suspended as an inmate sentenced to a term of
5 years in all respects, including eligibility for parole, leave, and participation in
6 treatment, special, and meritorious programs; and generally relating to the
7 Division of Correction.

8 BY adding to
9 Article - Correctional Services
10 Section 9-103.1
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1999 Volume and 2002 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article - Correctional Services**

16 9-103.1.

17 THE DIVISION SHALL TREAT EACH INMATE WHOSE LIFE SENTENCE HAS BEEN
18 PARTLY SUSPENDED AS AN INMATE SENTENCED TO A TERM OF YEARS IN ALL
19 RESPECTS, INCLUDING ELIGIBILITY FOR PAROLE, LEAVE, AND PARTICIPATION IN
20 TREATMENT, SPECIAL, AND MERITORIOUS PROGRAMS.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
22 effect October 1, 2003.